

# PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are essential to America's healthcare system, providing high-quality, cost-effective anesthesia care for 150 years and safely administer approximately 40 million anesthetics to patients each year; and
- WHEREAS,** CRNAs are the primary providers of anesthesia care in rural America, enabling healthcare facilities in these medically underserved areas to offer obstetrical, surgical, and trauma stabilization services; and
- WHEREAS,** CRNAs practice in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered: traditional hospital surgical suites and obstetrical delivery rooms; the offices of dentist, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, and plastic surgeons; ambulatory surgical centers; U.S. Military, Public Health Services and Veterans Administration medical facilities; and
- WHEREAS,** Nurse anesthetists have been the main provider of anesthesia care to U.S. military personnel on the front lines since WWI, including current conflicts in the Middle East. Nurses first provided anesthesia to wounded soldiers during the Civil War; and
- WHEREAS,** January 24 – 30, 2016 commemorates the 17<sup>th</sup> annual Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Week across the United States;

*NOW, THEREFORE I, EDWARD B. MURRAY, MAYOR OF SEATTLE, DO HEREBY  
PROCLAIM, JANUARY 24 – 30, 2016 TO BE*

**17<sup>th</sup> Annual Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists Week**



Mayor Edward B. Murray  
City of Seattle